

HOWARD COUNTY

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County Data

- Adult Smoking Rate – 23%
- Number of Adult Smokers – 14,540
- Smoking During Pregnancy – 20.9%
- Number of Smoking-Affected Births – 257
- Lung Cancer Incidence (2003-2007) – 83.9 per 100,000
- Lung Cancer Mortality (2003-2007) – 61.5 per 100,000

- Total Population – 84,964

- Ages 0-4 – 5,978
- Ages 5-17 – 15,770
- Ages 18-24 – 7,054
- Ages 25 and older – 56,162

- African American – 5,563
- White – 76,235
- Hispanic – 1,709

Tobacco Free Policies

Ordinance:

Kokomo: The Kokomo ordinance requires all public places and places of employment, including restaurants to be smoke free. Bars and private clubs are exempt from the ordinance. The Kokomo ordinance became effective on October 6, 2006.

Hospitals and Health Care Facilities:

- Howard Regional Health System
- Howard Regional Mental Health Center

- St. Joseph Hospital & Health Center

Public School Districts:

- Eastern Howard School Corporation
- Kokomo-Center Township Consolidated School Corporation
- Northwestern School Corporation
- Taylor Community School Corporation
- Western School Corporation

Government Buildings:

County

- County Office Building

City

- Kokomo- Cultural Center
- Kokomo- City Building
- Kokomo- City Parks

Community-based Tobacco Control Coalition:

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| • Chrysler | • Mayor Community-Based Council on Substance Abuse Prevention |
| • Delphi | • Mayor Youth Council on Substance Abuse |
| • Family Services Association | • Northwestern High School |
| • Howard County Health Department | • Parish Nursing |
| • Howard Regional Health System | • Partners of a Healthier Community |
| • Kokomo High School | • St. Joseph Hospital |
| • Kokomo Housing Authority | • Taylor High School |
| • Kokomo YMCA | |

Community Indicators

- Extent of community activism among youth to support community change that includes youth involved in the VOICE movement.
- Proportion of smoke free policies for worksites, including restaurants and bars.
- Extent of promotion of the Indiana Tobacco Quitline
- Proportion of worksites that provide employer-sponsored cessation support for employees who use tobacco.
- Extent of participation by partners within the broad-based coalition.
- Extent of participation by groups representing disparately affected (i.e. hard to reach) populations in the community.

Funding

- Funding for July 2009- June 2011: \$100,000